



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe W. Stecher, the Lincoln Police Department and Lancaster County Sheriff's Office announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

Karrie Penfold was sentenced to five years and 10 months in prison for conspiring to distribute methamphetamine in the Lincoln area. The Honorable Richard G. Kopf sentenced Penfold after she pled guilty to conspiracy to distribute 500 grams or more of methamphetamine. In addition to the prison time, Penfold was ordered to spend five years of supervised release following her incarceration. A number of witnesses reported having bought and sold methamphetamine with Penfold during the period of the conspiracy.

Name of Defendant: Karrie L. Penfold

AKA:

Age: 51

City of residence: Lincoln

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty)

Conspiracy to distribute 500 grams or more of methamphetamine

10 years to life, not less than five years of supervised release, up to \$4,000,000 fine

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Lincoln

Location of Arrest:

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: over 500 grams of substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: between, on or about March 15, 2007 through May 30, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: October 29, 2008

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: October 22, 2008

Initial Appearance Date: October 30, 2008

Plea or Trial and Date(s): pled March 9, 2009

Sentencing Date: May 27, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date:

Assigned Magistrate Judge: David L. Piester

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: released from custody

In Continuous Custody Since:

Assigned District Court Judge: Richard G. Kopf

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